Patent Attorney's Docket No. <u>024444-976</u>

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In re Patent Application of

Per BLOMSTEDT et al.

Application No.: 09/973,819

Filed: October 11, 2001

For: COATED CUTTING INSERT

Confirmation No. 7898

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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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In complete response to the Official Action dated January 9, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please delete the existing Abstract and substitute the Abstract attached hereto as a separate sheet.

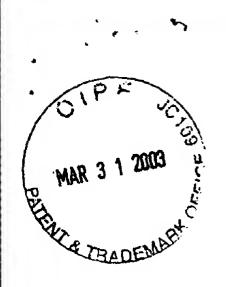
IN THE TITLE:

Please replace the title with the following:

-- METHOD OF MAKING CEMENTED CARBIDE BODY--

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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	AMENDMENT/REPLY TI	RAN	NSMITTAL LETTER					
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Encl	Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.							
[]	A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.							
[]	A Terminal Disclaimer and the [] \$55.00 (2814) [] \$110.00 (1814) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.							
[]	Also enclosed is/are							
[]	Small entity status is hereby claimed.							
[]	Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [] \$375.00 (2801) [] \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).							
	[] Applicant(s) previously submitted _ requested.	 ;	on, for which continued examination is					
[]	Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.							
[]	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.							
[X]	No additional claim fee is required.							

[] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS						
	No. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE	
Total Claims		MINUS =]	× \$18.00 (1202) =		
Independent Claims		MINUS =		× \$84.00 (1201) =		
If Amendment adds m	ultiple depend	ent claims, add \$280).00 (1203)			
Total Amendment Fee						
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee						
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[]	A claim fee in t	he amount of \$	_ is enclosed.
[]	Charge \$	to Deposit Account	No. 02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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